



**Rancho Bernardo Community Planning Board**  
 12463 Rancho Bernardo Road #523, San Diego, CA 92128  
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**January 17, 2019, 7:00 PM**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Bernardo Heights Community Center**  
**16150 Bernardo Heights Parkway (Off of Avenida Venusto), San Diego, CA 92128**

| <b>2018 RB PLANNING BOARD</b> |   |                   |   |                  |                                      |           |   |                            |           |
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| <b>P = present</b>            |   | <b>A = absent</b> |   |                  | <b>ARC = arrived after roll call</b> |           |   |                            |           |
| Sonny Googins                 | A | Patrick Vincent   | P | Benjamin Wier    | P                                    | Gary Long | A |                            |           |
| Thomas Lettington             | P | Dan Grobee        | P | Robin Kaufman    | P                                    | Mike Lutz | P |                            |           |
| Terry Norwood                 | P | Joel Doss         | P | Ruth Coddington  | P                                    |           |   |                            |           |
| Mel Zadeh                     | P | Sherry Guthrie    | P | Vicki Touchstone | P                                    |           |   | <b>Total Seated</b>        | <b>17</b> |
| Scott Hall                    | A | Kyle Turner       | A | Jenny Yu         | P                                    |           |   | <b>Total in Attendance</b> | <b>13</b> |

**ITEM #1**      **Call to Order/Roll Call:** Chair Robin Kaufman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. A quorum was met with 13 present at roll call.

**ITEM #2**      **Non-agenda public comment (3 minutes per speaker):** Mark Huettinger from Gatewood Hills presented his concerns for a left-hand turn from Rancho Bernardo Rd to Pomerado. Hugh Rothman introduced himself as interested in being on this Planning Board. David Wilson introduced himself as interested in being on this Planning Board. Susan Adams introduced herself as just checking out this meeting.

**ITEM #3**      **Chair Remarks:** Chair Robin Kaufman pointed out that the Planning Board elections are coming up. Robin mentioned that the election committee is made up of herself, Sherry Guthrie and Patrick Vincent. She reminded the Board to take the online Cow as a refresher; Palomar College will have an update on their move to RB on January 23 at 6 PM; Hats Off to Volunteers is coming and the Board will need to vote on a member to be nominated; the Community Council sponsored Mardi Gras fun run is taking place on March 3 at the community park.

**ITEM #4**      **Government Staff Reports:** Justin Garver introduced Monique Tello, the new representative from Councilmember Kersey’s office who distributed Kersey’s newsletter and highlighted items in the newsletter. She mentioned some changes to the City web site and that the City budget will be discussed on January 30<sup>th</sup>.

**ITEM #5**      **Modification and Adoption of Agenda:** Motion Vick Touchstone, second Dan Grobee to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously 13-0-0.

**ITEM #6**      **Administrative Items:**

- a. Approve November 15, 2018 Meeting Minutes: Motion Gary Long, second Benjamin Wier to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed 12-0-1 with Mike Lutz abstaining as he was not in attendance at the November meeting.
- b. Approve Treasurer’s Report: Motion Ruth Coddington, second Benjamin Wier to approve the Treasurer’s report reflecting a \$322.95 balance in the Board’s bank account and \$500 expense reimbursement by the City available. The motion passed unanimously 13-0-0.

**ITEM #7**      **Approve Items Identified to Purchase with City’s \$500 Apportioned to Support the Operation of the Planning Board:** Vicki Touchstone reported that new sound system would cost about \$200 to \$250. Approximately \$100 will be needed for election supplies and tri fold brochures and maybe \$125 for the annual RB Alive.

**ITEM #8**      **Approve Splitting the Regional Issues Committee into Two Committees:** Vicki Touchstone explained that the 2 main reasons for creating 2 committees from the one is amount of work and to give the members more committee choices. Motion Vick Touchstone, second Dan Grobee to approve dividing the committee into two committees. The motion passed unanimously 13-0-0.

**ITEM #9**      **Was not used in the agenda.**

**ITEM #10**     **Request Community Members to Identify Themselves if Interested in Appointment to Open Vacancies in Districts D, E, and F and Appoint Qualifying Members:** Not applicable

**ITEM #11**     **Review of Grand Jury Report and City’s Response:** Board discussed the findings.

**ITEM #12**     **Sub-Committee Reports:**  
 Development Review..... Vicki Touchstone:  
 Regional Issues..... Vicki Touchstone:  
 Traffic & Transportation..... Robin Kaufman:  
 Election Adhoc Committee..... Robin Kaufman: Have 3 applications to date.

**ITEM #13**     **Liaison Reports:**  
 Community Council..... Robin Kaufman (Report attached)\*  
 Community Planners Committee (CPC)... Vicki Touchstone: The CPC did not meet in November or December. They are scheduled to meet January 22, 2019.reported  
 Recreation Council ..... Robin Kaufman: No report  
 Commercial..... Kyle Turner: No report  
 SANDAG..... Terry Norwood: (Report attached)\*

**ITEM #14**     **OLD BUSINESS ITEM:** None

**ITEM #15**     **NEW BUSINESS:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion Robin Kaufman, second Patrick Vincent to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 PM. The motion passed unanimously 13-0-0.

Respectfully submitted, Mike Lutz, Secretary

**STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

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| <b><u>Administrative Committee</u></b><br>The Monday 10 days prior to Regular Meeting, 6 PM<br>RB Swim & Tennis Club – Ceramics Room | <b><u>Traffic &amp; Transportation Committee</u></b><br>First Monday of each month, 6 PM<br>Bernardo Heights Community Center |
| <b><u>Development Review Committee</u></b><br>First Tuesday of each month, 6 PM<br>Bernardo Heights Community Center                 | <b><u>Regional Issues Committee</u></b><br>First Tuesday of each month, 7 PM<br>Bernardo Heights Community Center             |

**\*Community Council Summary:**

**December:**

- the Board reviewed and approved the FY 2020 Maintenance Assessment District (MAD) budget
- the Board approved disbursement of 2018 Earth Day Fair funds
- the Board approved expenditures for the San Diego Police K-9 unit training equipment
- the Board approved two new student members to be seated in January
- the Board appointed a Mardi Gras fun run ad hoc committee

January:

- the Board presented various certificates of appreciation to the student member stepping down
- the Board welcomed the two new student members who gave their first reports
- the Board approved further expenditures for more training equipment for the San Diego Police K-9 unit
- a representative from the police K-9 unit attended the meeting with his two police dogs, giving a brief presentation. We then presented him with all the items for the unit
- the Board approved expenditures for the Mardi Gras fun run
- the Board approved expenditures for more holiday tree decorations (on the RB Rd median)
- the Board approved the annual flag contest flyer
- an update was given to the Board on the MAD median work

**\*San Diego Association of Governments:**

Serves as a forum for regional decision-making for the San Diego region.

Attended a community meeting in North Park to learn about SB50--More Homes Act of 2019 and its effect on transit. Heard from City Council President Georgette Gomez about her vision in working with SANDAG on more housing and transit. Learned that she would like to see transit for the whole city improved but definitely focused on neighborhoods that can offer housing alongside transit hubs.

Transit improvements or expansion it seems will only be allowed in areas where multi-family housing areas are built. TPA is a new buzz word/acronym meaning transit priority area.

<https://www.sandiego.gov/PLANNING/PROGRAMS/TRANSPORTATION/MOBILITY/TPA>

New SANDAG Director is received well by the few organizations I have attended forums on. Little mention has been made of the change in leadership of the 19 municipalities. The anticipation and change in SANDAG leadership has not seemed to affect where transit will be developed. At least not yet. January 11, 2019 Mayor Steve Vaus of Poway became the Chairman of the Board under the new governing rules for SANDAG.

<https://www.sandag.org/index.asp?fuseaction=about.board>

In case you needed more casual reading. SB 50